

# Mark Ryan

WINERY

## CHARDONNAY

Chardonnay | Yakima Valley | 2016

### Winemaking Notes

In the spring of 2013 we partnered with Leif Olsen from Olsen Vineyard and selected a site that would produce world class Chardonnay. With its north slope, diverse soils and over 1200 feet of elevation the site offers a truly dynamic climate perfect for Chardonnay. Three distinct clones were chosen specifically to augment the already incredible characteristics of the site. Clone 548 is a low yielding clone that offers great aromatic intensity (tropical and stone fruits) and palate weight. Clone 76 provides a very elegant aromatic profile (minerality and citrus) with a beautiful focused acidity. Clone 809 is a Chardonnay musqué clone known for its highly perfumed, muscat like aromatic (oral and sweet) and intense presence in the palate. Harvested between September 2nd and September 6th the fruit was whole cluster pressed and settled overnight. After being transferred to barrel the wine was inoculated and fermented at very low temperatures for over 30 days. During its time in barrel the wine completed malolactic fermentation and was gently stirred to suspend the lees and add greater depth and weight to the palate. The wine was aged in 29% new French oak for 10 months and was bottled on June 27th, 2017.

### Tasting Notes

This Olsen Vineyard Chardonnay has warm golden straw hues and offers alluring aromas of white peach, subtle butterscotch, ripe pear and sweet lemon. The concentrated aromatics are enhanced by a palate of welcome acidity giving vibrancy to baked apple, vanilla and mango. The finish is persistent with an interlaced blanket of richness, mineral and citrus notes creating a readiness for the next sip.

#### BLEND

100% Chardonnay

#### BARREL

57% Used French Oak  
29% New French Oak  
14% Concrete Egg

#### PRODUCTION

530 Cases

#### RELEASE

October 7, 2017

#### APPELLATION

Yakima Valley

#### VINEYARDS

Olsen



Founded in 1999 by Mark Ryan McNeilly, **MARK RYAN WINERY** is a small winery located in Woodinville, Washington. Our goal is to produce handcrafted wines that represent the vineyard from which they come, the character of the varietal, and our style. From the vineyards to the winery, our uncompromising commitment to quality and our passion to produce the best wines possible, inspire us to make these wines for you.

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